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SUBJECT: SHIPPING: ACCEPTANCE OF VISBY AMENDMENTS TO BRUSSELS  
CONVENTION (HAGUE RULES ON BILLS OF LADING)

REF STATE 190603

1. ACCORDING TO TREATY SECTION OF MFA (NOE), BRUSSELS PROTOCOL OF 1968 IS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY NON-GOVERNMENTAL LEGAL COMMITTEES NORMALLY CONSULTED BY GON BEFORE PARLIAMENTARY RATIFICATION IS INITIATED. COMMITTEES' VIEWS EXPECTED IN 3 OR 4 MONTHS. IF REPORT IS POSITIVE, WHICH TREATY SECTION ON BALANCE EXPECTS, PROTOCOL WILL BE PRESENTED TO PARLIAMENT FOR RATIFICATION, WHICH MAY TAKE YEAR OR MORE.

2. GON INFLUENCED BY VIEWS OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS. IT HAS HEARD THAT UK, FRANCE, SCANDINAVIANS AND BELGIUM ARE ADVANCED IN PROCESS OF RATIFICATION OF THIS MEASURE BUT THAT FRG IS "HESITATING". NOE STATED IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO KNOW USG POSITION ON RATIFICATION.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE WORD ON STATUS OF THIS MATTER IN U.S.  
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